

YUGOSLAVIA ON U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL

Australia's Gift To Britain

CANBERRA, Oct. 20.—A Bill authorising a gift to Britain of £10,000,000 has passed all stages in the Australian House of Representatives.

In the debate on the Bill, the Postwar Reconstruction Minister, Mr. J. J. Dredman, said it was in Australia's interest to make what contribution she could toward British recovery.

Mr. Dredman described the gift as an expression of goodwill towards the British people and confidence in their ability to surmount present difficulties.—Reuter.

Attlee To Appeal To People

London, Oct. 20.—Faced with serious differences within his own Cabinet today, the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, disclosed that he would appeal directly to the British people for support of his new austerity programme.

After appearing in the House of Commons on Monday to present the new economy programme, Mr. Attlee will broadcast to the people over the British Broadcasting Corporation network in the evening.

The Prime Minister conferred with His Majesty the King today. He was understood to have outlined the broad aspects of the new economy cuts and also to have explained to the King the differences over the programme within the government itself.

The Parliamentary leader, Mr. Herbert Morrison, announced (Continued on Page 5)

Czechoslovakia Is Defeated In Ballot VYSHINSKY'S OUTBURST

FLUSHING MEADOW, Oct. 29.—YUGOSLAVIA WAS TODAY ELECTED TO THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL BY 39 VOTES TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA'S 19 IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, MEETING IN PLENARY SESSION. THE ASSEMBLY ELECTED INDIA AND ECUADOR TO THE OTHER TWO VACANT SEATS ON THE FIRST BALLOT.

Voting between Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia for the third vacant seat resulted in a deadlock. The number of valid votes was 58 and the required two-thirds majority was therefore 39. Yugoslavia received 37 and Czechoslovakia 20.

In the second ballot the vote was Yugoslavia 39, Czechoslovakia 19. The Assembly elected Yugoslavia two days after Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, Soviet Foreign Minister, had declared that Russia would consider her election as "illegal and unjust."

When the meeting opened, Mr. Vyshinsky was ruled out of order as he began attacking Yugoslavia for making "slandering" statements on the question of the election.

General Carles Romulo, President of the Assembly, hammed in vain. Mr. Vyshinsky only continued speaking, and only when he had finished was the President able to declare that his remarks had been out of order.

The ruling was loudly applauded.

VYSHINSKY'S DEMAND

Loud applause greeted the announcement of India's election to replace Canada as the representative of the Commonwealth on the Security Council, and Ecuador's election in place of Argentina.

The full vote on the first ballot was: Ecuador 57, India 56, Yugoslavia 37, Czechoslovakia 20, Afghanistan 1, the Philippines 1.

cannot and will not be considered as a representative of the Eastern European countries.

"The introduction of Yugoslavia into the Security Council shall be considered by the delegation of the Soviet Union as a new violation of the Charter which requires geographical distribution."

"They also entail a violation of a firm tradition by which retiring members from the Council are replaced by countries of the same geographical region."

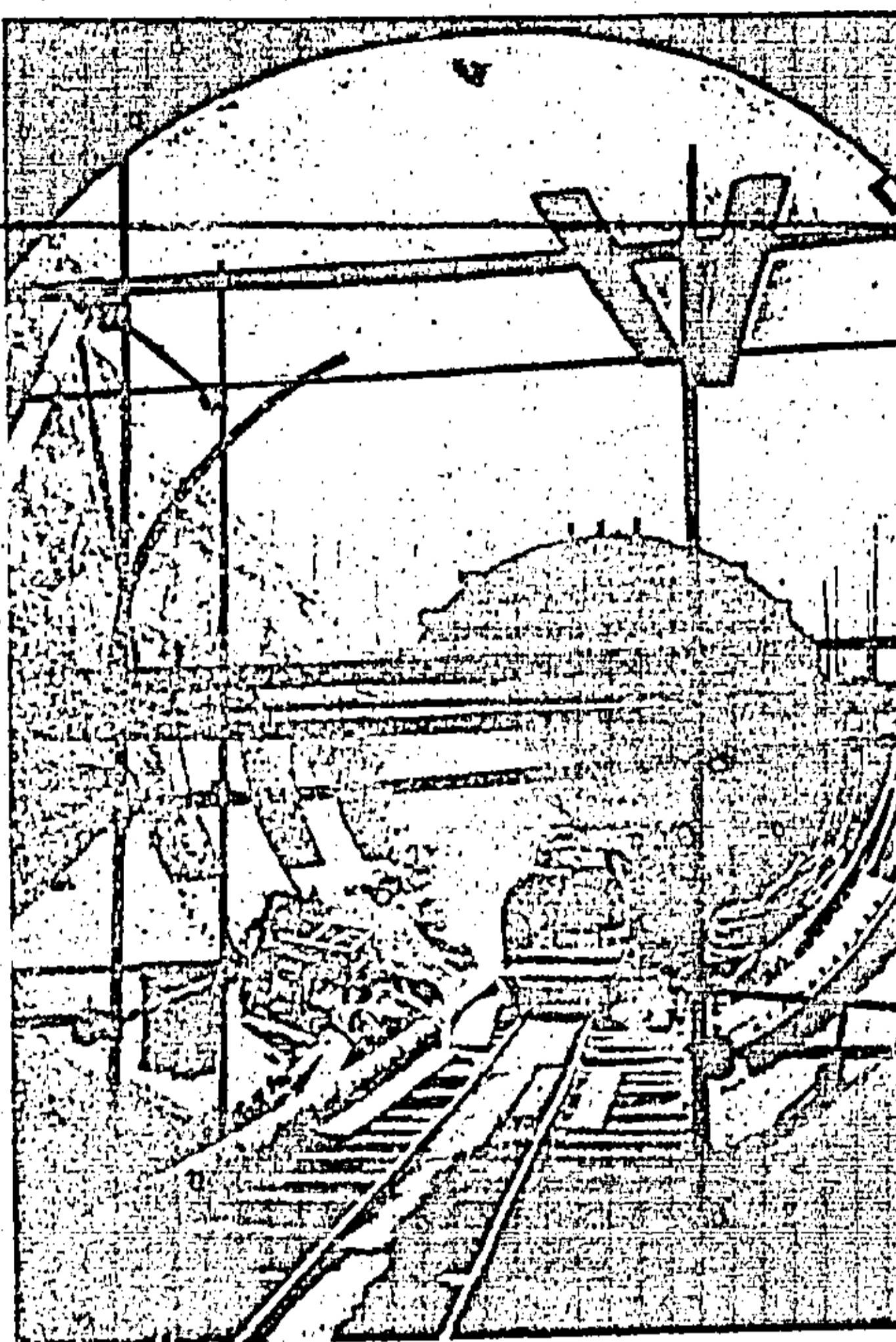
Yugoslavia has been dragged into the Security Council in accordance with a free election and with established traditions, but as a result of a behind-the-scenes plot between Yugoslavia and the United States and a number of other delegations who have decided to utilize for their own ends the political situation which has arisen between Yugoslavia on the one hand and the Soviet Union and the People's Democracies on the other hand."

NOT RECOGNISED

Mr. Vyshinsky declared that the countries supporting Yugoslavia "apparently counted on strengthening their position by transforming the Security Council into an obedient tool of the Anglo-American bloc."

Mr. Vyshinsky concluded vehemently: "The Soviet delegation, with full determination, declares that Yugoslavia shall not,

CIRCLE OF STEEL



Looking through the huge pipeline that will carry millions of gallons of water from Clunie Dam to Clunie power station, below the Falls of Tummel, in the North of Scotland. Driven through the Cammoch Hills, the tunnel is 1 1/2 miles in length—the biggest water power tunnel in Britain.

WELCOME NEWS

London, Oct. 20.—Yugoslavia's election to the Security Council tonight was received with general satisfaction by public opinion here.

The official British decision to vote for the official "Eastern bloc" candidate, Czechoslovakia in the first ballot was not popular in London, where it was felt that the gentlemen's agreement on the distribution of Security Council seats was being pressed to rather absurd lengths by suggesting that Yugoslavia had ceased to be territorially a part of Eastern Europe.

In usually well-informed quarters here it was taken for granted that the British delegation supported the Yugoslav candidate in the second ballot.

This would be a normal British practice which requires the delegation to support the majority candidate in the second round to avoid a deadlock.

It would, consequently, not be regarded here as a breach of the Great Powers' agreement by which the non-communist members of the Security Council

have come, in fact, to be virtually nominated by the permanent members of the Council.

FORM OF PRESSURE

The possibility that Soviet displeasure may be carried so far as to lead to a withdrawal of the entire Eastern bloc from the United Nations was recognised here.

But so far statements by Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, the Soviet Foreign Minister, at Lake Success have been interpreted in diplomatic quarters in London as no more than an explicit form of pressure.

It still remained the general hope, both among the public and in official quarters, that the Soviet Government would display the sense of proportion which it has often shown in the past—and exercised on such occasions as the withdrawal of troops from Persia in 1946 and the decision to end the blockade of Berlin this year—and will let the incident drop.

The Foreign Office spokesman

tonight declined to comment in any way on the election of Yugoslavia, but the impression prevailed here that in official quarters, too, the news was not welcome.—Reuter.

BIRTHRATE IN PORTUGAL RISSES

LISBON, Oct. 20.—Mr. Araújo Correia, well-known demographic expert, announced here recently that the population of Portugal in 1950 will reach 6,000,000 persons. He added that Portugal will reach the 10,000,000 mark in 1960.—United Press.

SIR WILLIAM SLIM IN SINGAPORE

SINGAPORE, Oct. 20.—Field

Marshal Sir William Slim, the

Chief of the Imperial General

Staff, arrived here today on a

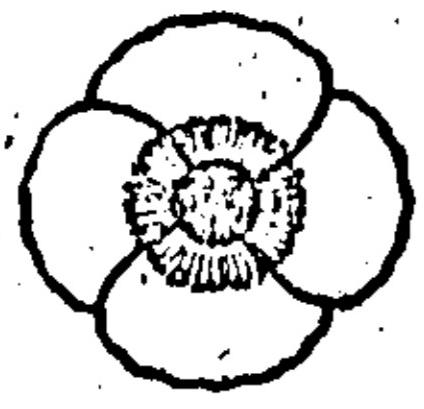
visit to Malaya before flying to

Hongkong.—Reuter.

On their claim that they represent a genuine, indigenous revolutionary movement, and have the support of the majority of the population. They are, they say, a working government in control of a large part of the country, and are such entitled to international recognition. That they have the support of all the people of China is obviously not true, but there is just as obviously no organised opposition to them in the areas they control. It might be wished, of course, that Chinese moderates of all political tints had some organisation capable of setting up a less totalitarian government. But Britain, and the other western Powers, must face the facts: the Nationalists are hopelessly discredited and impotent, and the reins of government have passed to the Communists. If British interests are to be safeguarded, recognition of this change is inevitable. Delay will accomplish nothing.

—Sir William Slim

Editorial



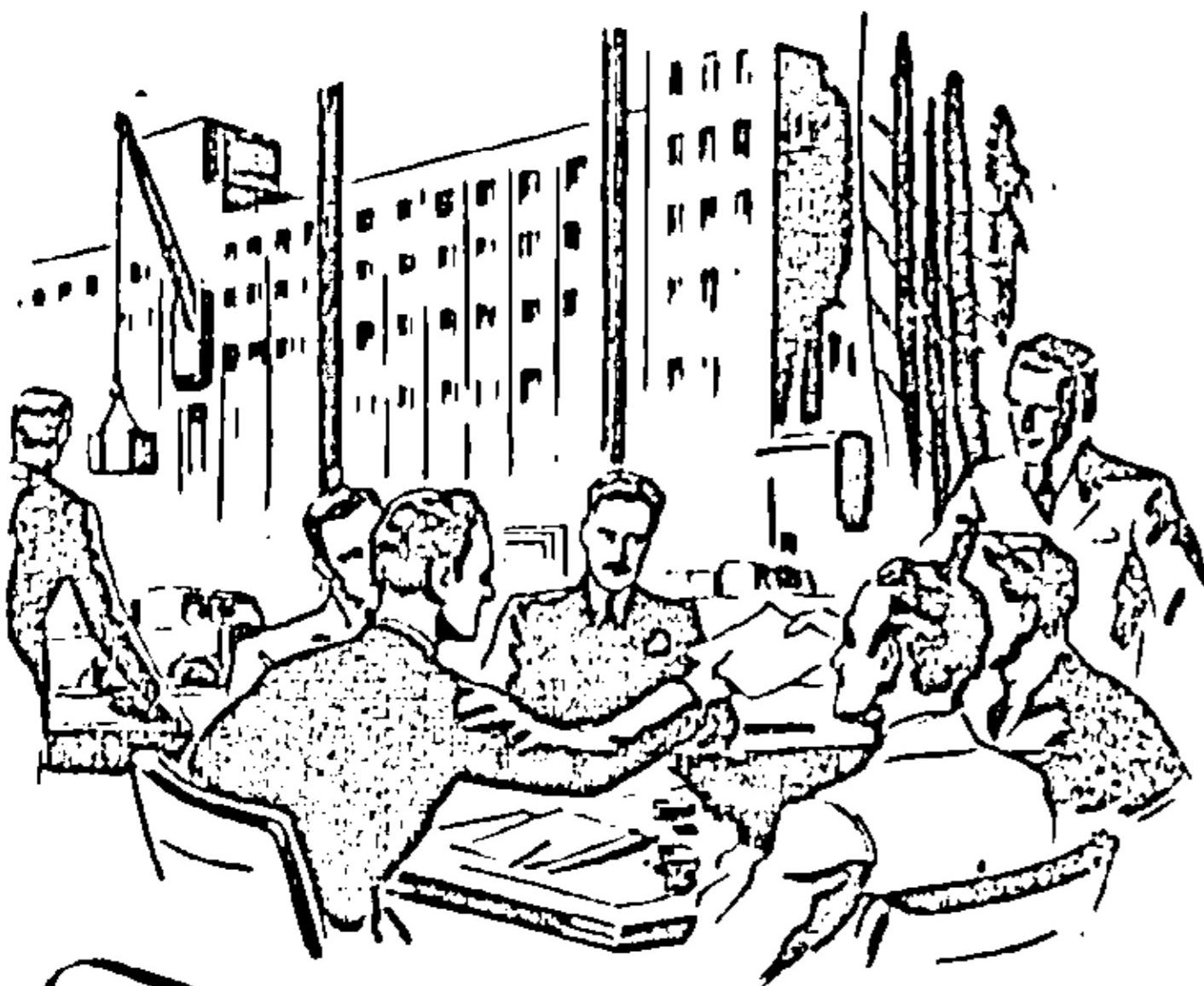
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WOMANSENSE

SEEN AT A FRENCH FILM PREMIERE



Attending the Au Grand Balcon premiere were Mrs Richard Greene, (left), Barbara White wife of actor Kieron Moore (centre) and (right) Tramara Denzi, wife of actor Raymond Lovell.

What to Do for Freckles



If you are afflicted with freckles, says Movie Star Joan Leslie, try applying strained lemon juice to the face after washing. Buttermilk is helpful, too.

By HELEN FOLLETT

Interpreting The Dropped Shoulderline

AN American designer's translations of Paris couture fashions smooth out the extreme lines of the originals. Besides this, he makes a big effort in adapting them to the wearable lines that he considers vital to making them acceptable for all types of ready-to-wear customers.

Outstanding feature of this latest group of coats reflecting the latest Paris influence is the dropped shoulderline. This Dior feature, which promises to become as prominent a style detail as his centre-back placket has been for several seasons, is worked out with a welted seam for the low sleeve mounting which allows for simple alteration for size. A smooth shoulder with slight padding is an important part of this new line, and most of the new coats are made with it.

Extend Wings

Another adaptation of Dior new shoulderlines uses the extended square wings of the original set on bat over the shoulders, making a new detail that does not disturb the prevalent smooth round shoulderline.

The designer makes an alliance of the pointed collar and pointed hip pockets, always keeping them moderately sized. And for several coats a crushed collar shaped to keep a young neckline is introduced.

While these features are all presented in 34- and 40-inch length coats, they will be proportioned for shorter or full-length models.

Bloused Back

Two examples of the bloused back are included—one a jacket with back placket above the belted waistline, and in a full-length coat with bared skirt.

Another jacket, boxy on the modified lines characteristic of all these new coats, has the extended pocket flaps placed low on the hips.

New Coat



By VERA WINSTON

Interesting New Wall Coverings For The Home

By ELEANOR ROSS

MANY people, doing over or building a house are moving far beyond the ordinary paint or wallpaper stage for certain rooms, especially for such rooms as a library, a den, a playroom, or for one or two walls of a large living room. And, say the decorators and store people, interest in new and radically different wall coverings is on the increase and sales are mounting.

We noted much interest in a small room (in America) devoted to television, part of a model house shown for charity. Three walls are covered in flexible plywood in birch, finished in a mellow, warm walnut tone with rippling curves that relieve the boxshape of the room. For the fourth wall the plywood is used wrong side out showing its extremely interesting and quite decorative ribbed backing.

Gam Room
In another house, the game room and the billiard walls are covered in what looks like luxurious leather, but which reveals itself to be a non-crackable vinyl resin material. Tiles have changed from their shiny ceramic beginnings and have moved out of the kitchen and bathroom. One firm is showing tiles of knotty pine that can be joined in number of designs to panel any room in paneling.

the house. They come packaged in five sizes to meet any need, and it takes but a few rolls to take care of the mounting. We saw one very handsome wall done in vertical and horizontal tile boxes that was knock-out, and achieved at a most reasonable outlay.

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Very new and offering unlimited possibilities, are those plastics, so durable, so strong that can be hung like wall paper and painted to please. Patterns include bamboo, charming for a porch or sunroom, as well as brick, wide boned stripes, woodgrain, matting and square straw straw designs. Plastics wear well on floor as well as walls and some unorthodox, pioneer souls have even experimented on furniture with these plastics.

Interesting, too, is a new structural unit, heavier than paper but hung just as easily. It comes in handsome metal and marble designs including a variety of beautiful wood effects. Oak and cypress come in natural tones and in degenerates shades that include gold, silver, blue, lime green and rose. There is a gold ground puffed with white and there is a pale green brown fleecy. Welt seaming is used decoratively at the armholes and down either side of the front closing where it is worked into the pockets. The back is slanted and the hem is curved.

Real French bread, Madame; incomparable! You will notice that these rolls are larger than in this country," he remarked. "In France they have a great respect for the good bread. (I was too busy munching a roll to comment.) "It is entirely crisp on the outside, and although spongy within, it is thoroughly baked."

Luncheon was to be served in the salon on the promenade deck. As we entered our Chef remarked, "we are now in the rue de la Paix of the Atlantic." Turning to the attentive waiter, "Our garcon, we would like an aperitif."

As we sipped the cool drink, the waiter placed a dish of assorted green olives on each table, the only accompaniment to the aperitif. "You see Madame no elaborate canapés are being served, for the simple reason that the appetite should be reserved for the luncheon itself."

That is a good practice for any company luncheon or dinner," observed Madame. "Many American hostesses prepare here d'oeuvres that are far too elaborate, and that really dull the appetite for the meal itself."

A service plate, topped with a folded napkin and a tempting golden-crusted long French roll marked each place. The Chef broke off a piece, sniffed it, tasted it.

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Chilled Cantaloupe served with a little port wine in each half. The main course was Poulet à Poêle. Ille de France". It turned out to be tender scab chickens served with truffles and a delicious cream sauce. This dish is so delicious that I asked Chef Magrin for the recipe to pass on to you. With it was served braised celery. Next came an assortment of French cheese, Roquefort, Bleu, Camembert and Port Salut. Rolls were passed with the cheese. For dessert, frozen strawberries in whipped cream, followed by demi-fasse.

"This is a real French dessert," commented our Chef.

"And this is my simple, delicious company dinner version of the same meal," I replied.

Dinner

Based on ideas from the cuisine of the Ille de France, Honeydew with Lemon Wedges "Poached" Young Chickens With Broiled Mushrooms Brulé Celery Tossed Green Salad of Lettuce Chicory and Romaine Cheese Tray with Camembert and Roquefort Peaches in Whipped Cream French Rolls Demi Tasse All Measurements Are Level Recipe Servs Four

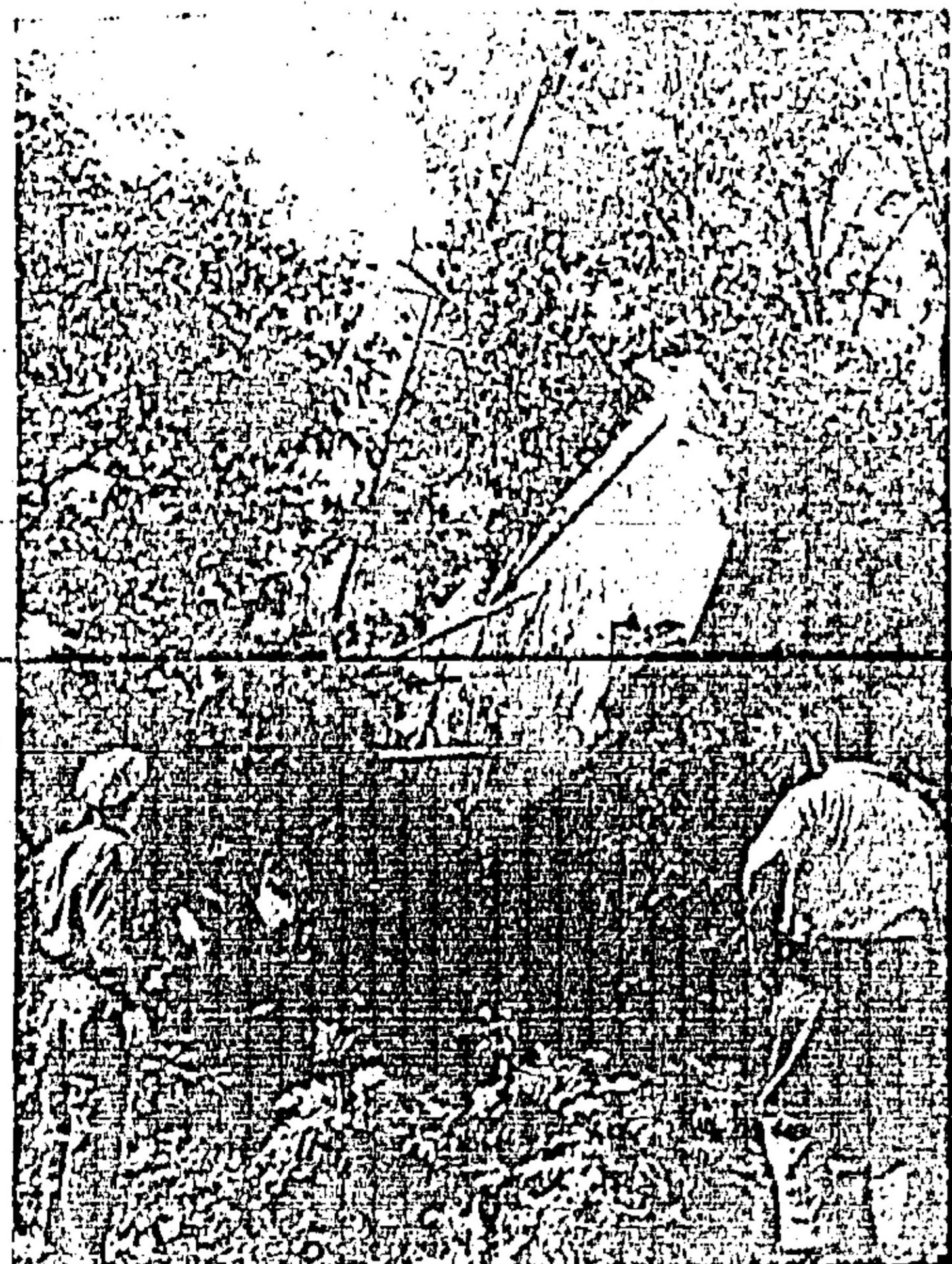
Poached Young Chickens With Broiled Mushrooms

This cuts for young chickens consomme, braised celery and veloute cream sauce.

The Chickens: Buy 4 plump squab chickens. Singe, clean, twist out the pin feathers; wash and drain. Then carefully lift up the skin between the meat and the breast and slip in paper-thin pieces of peeled mushrooms; (the French use truffles for this purpose). Rub with lemon juice and chill 2 hrs. or more. Half cover the chickens with consomme. Cover and poach (the French word for simmer,) for 30 min., or until tender and done. Arrange the chickens on a large platter. Garnish with mushroom caps sautéed in butter. Around arrange braised whole stalks of celery. Pass veloute cream sauce.

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PICTORIAL NEWSFRONT



PLANE CRASH—A single-seater private plane hangs in a tree near Massapequa Park, New York, after crashing in the woods. The ship barely missed a new housing development and seriously injured the woman pilot, Elaine Rogers, 22, of Central Islip, New York. She had taken off from an airport when the motor failed.



SEA HORSES—Mounted police in Miami, Florida, show their ability during a training routine which sometimes gets them a little wet. After a speed riding exercise, this dip into the Atlantic is most welcome but not necessarily a part of their duties.



FOR PROTECTION OF RODENTS—Dr. Harvey M. Patt is shown in Chicago, Illinois, as he prepares to inject some rats with cysteine. The inexpensive chemical protects the majority of animals from death due to exposure to radioactivity and has proved successful in numerous experiments in the past.



PRETTY BABY—Baby Le Roy, a young Hampshire ram, seems unconcerned as his owner, Beverly Hamer, gives his hair a last minute primping in Pomona, California. She's getting him ready to be exhibited in a fair, and the ram certainly looks his prettiest.



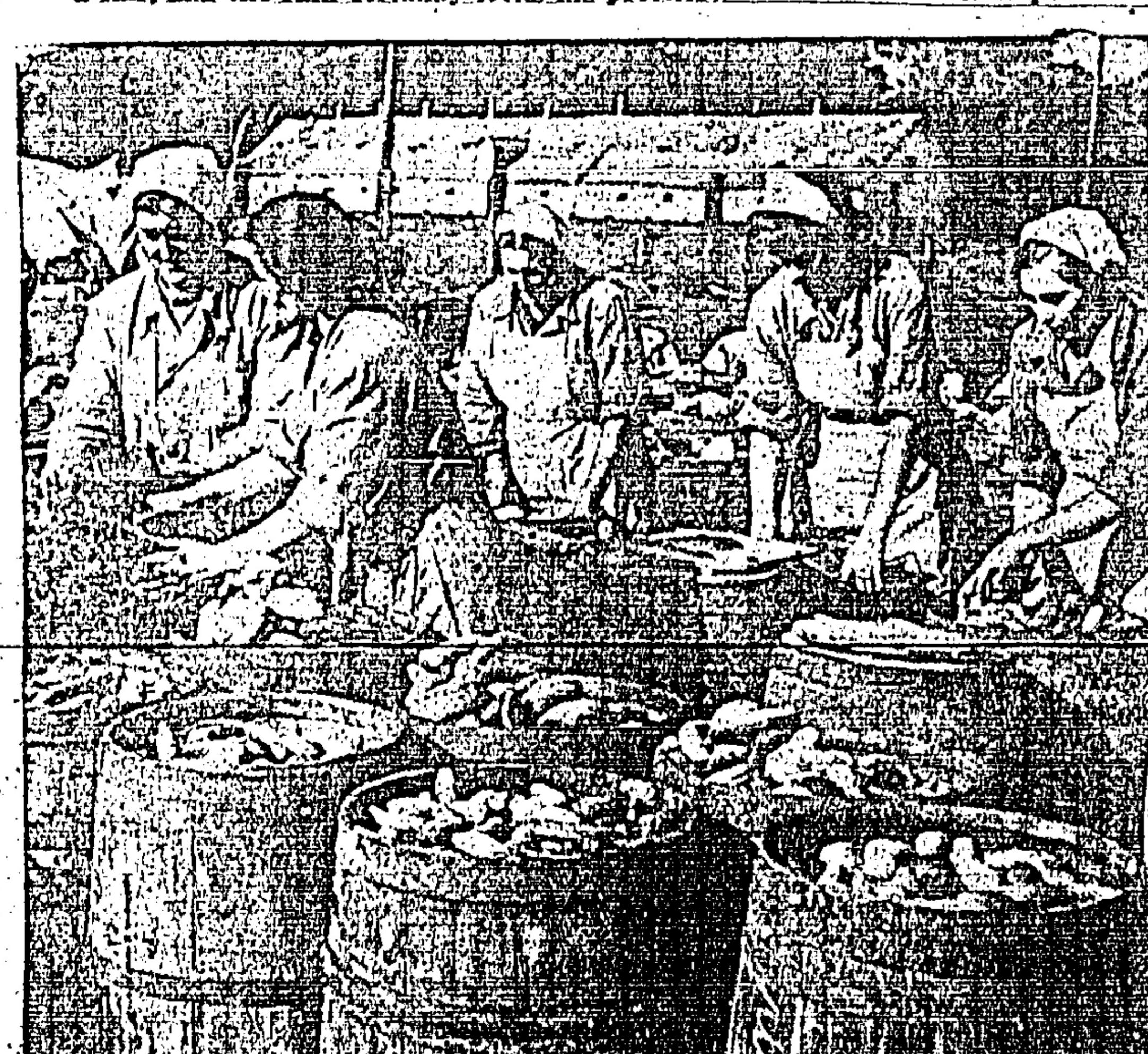
DIVIDED GERMAN LAKE—This is the spot where Americans and West Berliners have to look twice before going farther in a boat. The sign is anchored in the American sector of the Griebnitz Lake, south of Wannsee, and the abrupt halt provides two Berliners with this opportunity to eat lunch.



FOR SCHOOL—Actress Elizabeth Taylor models an attractive sports outfit in Hollywood, California. The ensemble features a hip-length jersey blouse with diagonal parallel colours, and a softly-pleated jersey skirt.



HOWDY-DO—A young Bellevue Hospital patient, in New York, has the honour of introducing her doll to a distinguished visitor. The clown is part of a vaudeville act which entertained more than 100 young patients in a hospital's recreation yard.



FOR THE POLISH CAPITAL—Polish farmerettes in Willnow place great quantities of cucumbers into barrels which will be shipped to Warsaw. The estate on which they work is run on a co-operative basis and grows vegetables and fruits which supply most of the nearby countryside.



NOT FOR ORDINARY CATS—Mrs. R. J. Morris, of Waterloo, Iowa, proves with this photo that Tillie, her six-month-old kitten, likes cantaloupe, rind and all. Tillie's licking her nose before she starts clawing away at the rind, the best of the meal.



THE WILD WEST IN LONDON—These cowboys and their ladies are not hunting for Indians in the English city. They're merely taking part in a carnival procession which opened the Twickenham Fair, in the quiet suburban town on the outskirts of London.

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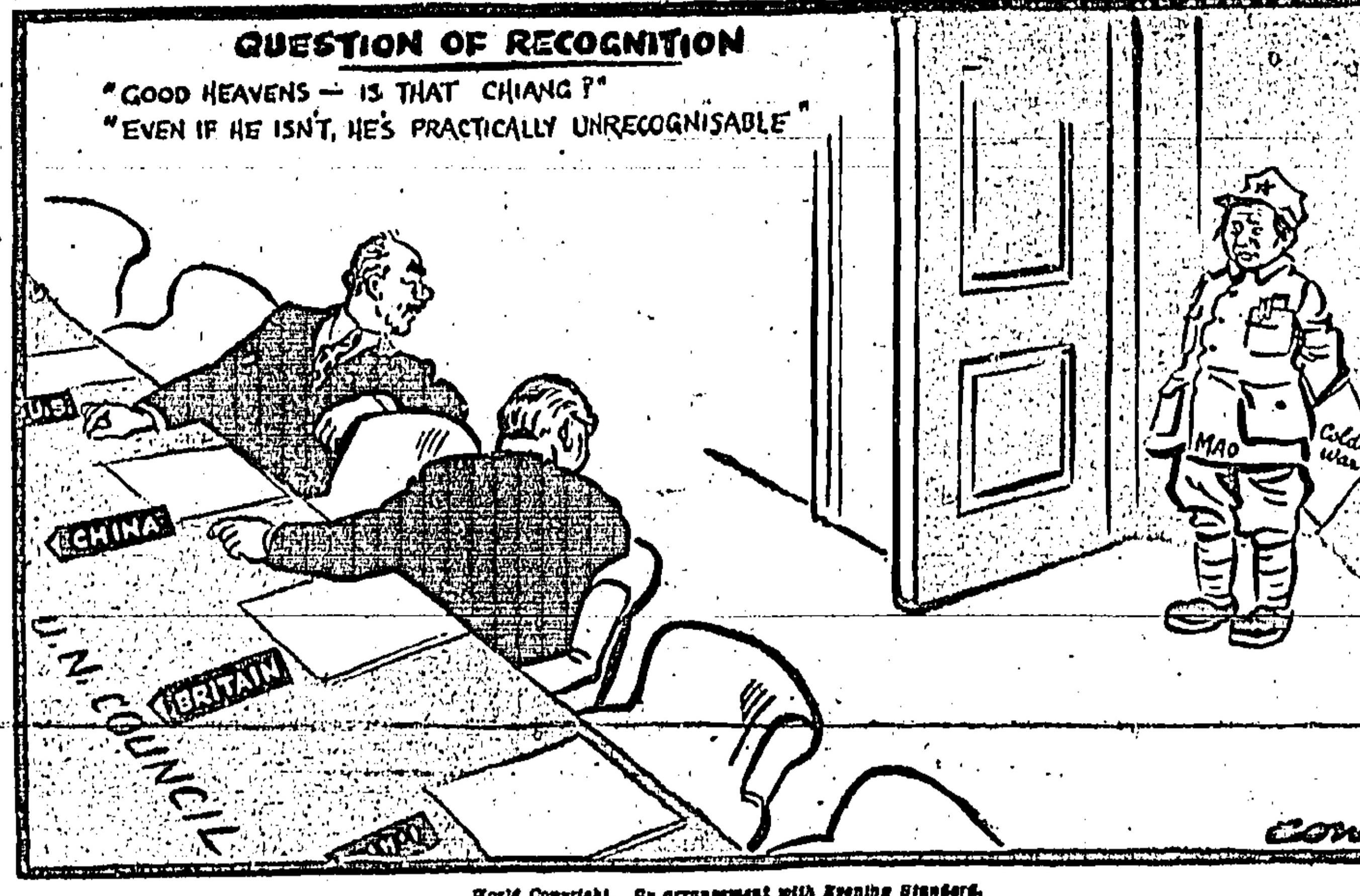
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RAISED EYEBROWS GREET MR PAGET

by JAMES CAMERON

HAMBURG. The daimial old man with the brown suit and the glasses, the fussing, restless, peering residue of what was once a terrible tough character—Field-Marshal von Manstein, on the winning side at last.

Fritz von Manstein, the old dear, ruddy and avuncular, in the plywood dock of the Curio House—here is the man who smashed through Poland, who scorched the earth of Southern Russia.

He hears now, quizzical and ironic, of shootings, of gassings, of drownings, and rapine and torture, while the lawyers wrangle round, and a few bored Germans drift in and out.

This trial—938th of the War Crimes, and, one hopes, the last of the whole squat business: now is a good moment to consider just what a deplorable affair it is.

Pretty late in the day, all this. We kept von Manstein in goal for 4½ years without trial, desperately hoping something would turn up that would avoid the troublesome necessity of putting him and his ancient atrocities in the dock.

Then the Americans sieved through evidence in the Pentagon Building, and finally forced us into it. Now we are reaping the trouble.

Odd idea

THE quaint illusion that only Communists and Slavs organise political trials was dispelled when Mr R. T. Paget opened his speech for the defence.

Mr Paget, KC a lawyer with a peculiar conception of his obligations as a world citizen, made an enormously long and passionate political speech to the solemn, beribboned tribunal of senior officers.

He laid down this astonishing proposition: that you cannot commit offences against people who break the rules themselves. After declaring that the Russians committed atrocities he argued that you could not

therefore condemn von Manstein for committing atrocities against them.

He argued that the Russians, having no rules of war, are not therefore entitled to be treated as one would treat other people. That two wrongs make a right.

Further, that this British military court smothered with brass and Union Jacks, and held under the cynical eyes of occupied Germany and chronicled by the world, is not trying Field-Marshal von Manstein, but the Soviet Union.

This was the argument of Mr Paget: "What business is it of ours what von Manstein did to the Russians?" He appealed to the court and through the court to the nations, "Is that our concern?"

This was good, old-fashioned controlling stuff to the rubber-necked in the gallery, the long-tired young men in leather jackets, the easel frauleins, the stout and elderly business men.

Mr R. T. Paget is a member of the English Bar, member of Parliament for Northampton, and Socialist Party man; the Germans and Russians would doubtless like to consider him the voice of Britain itself.

Listen to him talk of atrocities. Not Manstein—dear me, not, nothing to do with that smooth old soul in the smart dock, but atrocities in Lithuania, in Poland. In Mr Paget's imaginary dock, the Red Army.

This trial was bound to be an embarrassment from the start. It has offended all sense of reason and decency that this half-blind old mercenary should have been left lying around for 4½ years until a trial became unavoidable.

For our sins...

NOT that time excuses wrong doing. It is only that the whole miasma affair had been so half-heartedly conceived, so generally forgotten.

Now, for our sins, it is turning into this deplorable show of political venom and diplomatic folly.

Mr Paget clearly believes in his cause. He would not otherwise, presumably, have undertaken this brief without fear at considerable personal loss.

Recently he was exploiting

with much forensic skill, how useful and justifiable is the shooting of hostages. Why not, he says; it helps to win wars.

You may be doing it yourselves any day now, he told the judges a solemn row of brigadiers and colonels.

Von Manstein's orders in Poland—those alleged orders, full of steel and writhing children, of sudden shots and barked commands in the early morning—those orders, said Mr Paget, are milder than some we have issued.

I only know that the master is causing some excellent conversation here in Hamburg, among the creamy music in the hotel lounges, the dingy red plush, the pillars of gorgonzola marble, the dapper Germans with their brief-cases and their slim, blonde women.

Manstein is less than nothing to most of us. If we had hanged him four years ago it might have had some point as a gesture: I don't know.

Manstein as an individual longer matters much, he is just Carlo Number One in the Curio House. The only people on trial here are the British. What a laugh it all is for the Germans.

The trial is likely to go on for weeks, while learned counsel scrap and spar in their cultivated jargon over the question: The Russians are they human?

This is good stuff for the Master Race, quite apart from providing ready-made editorials for Pravda and the Tagesschau. It all seems to me rather poor value for £350 a day.

(London Express Service)

C.V.R. Thompson Reports The American Scene

NEW YORK DEWEY V. ROOSEVELT is supplying all the anti-Dewey heat in this campaign.

A fight is on again. It is the same Tom Dewey, still Governor of New York State, who fought and lost against F.D.R. in 1944, and again against Truman last year.

But it is a different Roosevelt, even though he is like his father that enemies call him "That man junior."

Dewey is campaigning in what he calls "a holy crusade" for the election of his old friend, John Foster Dulles, to the Senate. His line is that Dulles is the American most feared in the Kremlin.

Democrats, supporting Herbert Lehman, who is a Jew, recent Dewey's line. They say it borders on the anti-Semitic, and that Dewey is using the campaign as a proving ground for yet another attempt by him to grab the Presidency.

But F. D. R. Jun., a Congressman now, and undoubtedly a later applicant for Dewey's job, spoke up again recently. He said

he did not care if some people thought him "unethical." Said he: "There are only two people he's calling Dewey 'America's Master Also Ran,' or 'Little Sir Echo.'

And he is tearing into the theory that Russia is afraid of Mr Dulles. Says Roosevelt: "He is just a tool of Wall-street."

MOUTH-WATERING advertisements for pork will soon start appearing in 250 American newspapers every other day.

The super-crops of corn have been used by farmers to produce a super-crop of hogs. These are expected to hit the market in such volume by Christmas time that bacon, ham, and fresh pork will be more plentiful than ever before, and almost as cheap as pre-war.

SILENT since Congress questioned him for allegedly doing favours, Major-General Harry Vaughan, President Truman's military aide and envoy, spoke up again recently. He said

A great change is coming in British films by ERNEST BUSHMILLER

THE affairs of Mr J. Arthur Rank and his £67,000,000 film empire are soon to arouse much discussion.

First, in a week or two, the financial results of Odeon Theatres, keystone of the Rank group, will be published.

Then, next month, will come the report of the Board of Trade committee set up nearly a year ago to inquire into the distribution and exhibition of films.

Imitating Sir Stafford Cripps's coyness over the word devolution, Mr Rank would probably deny that "crisis" could appropriately be used to describe the present state of affairs in the film industry.

Then you have the reasons why the City believes that a change of policy may be coming.

WHAT sort of a change? A clue to that may be given when the Board of Trade committee reports next month.

Lord Portal, originally chairman of this committee, died before it was halfway through its labours.

His place was taken by Sir Arnold Plant, a university don with a wide knowledge of the film business.

He was a member of a committee of three which recommended Mr Dalton, in 1944, to introduce legislation to curb "monopoly control of the British film industry."

Plant and his colleagues deplored the growth of combines covering all sections of the industry—production, distribution, and exhibition.

They pointed out that if Rank or the controller of the other big circuit—Associated British Cinemas—decided not to book a film, the independent producer could be ruined.

ONE of their recommendations—the setting up of a film finance corporation to help independent producers—has since been adopted.

But that alone will not ensure a vigorous growth of "independents." Why? Because the corporation deals picture by picture. One bad picture and the independent producer is finished.

In America participation arrangements always cover a group of pictures—usually five.

Probably the only thoroughgoing solution of the troubles afflicting the film industry is to separate film-producing from film-exhibiting.

And it is worthy of note that last year Plant wrote approvingly of an American legal decision.

"Ordering a divestiture of joint ownership of theatres by producer-distributors and exhibitors upon a scale which bids fair to restore a large measure of independence and more freely competitive market."

That, I think, may be an indication of what the committee will recommend in its report.

A GOOD deal has been learned since "monopolistic tendencies" were last probed five years ago.

Then it was recommended that the necessary changes should be brought about by legislation. My guess is that this time they will be sought by the much more sensible method of voluntary agreement.

Would Rank agree to changes in the structure of his empire? If it could be shown to his satisfaction that the result would be a healthier industry, I have no doubt that he would.

Rank has said on more than one occasion that he has no desire to see anything in the nature of a monopoly created in the film industry. He has said that he "welcomes serious competition."

It may well be therefore, that we are on the eve of great changes.

(London Express Service)



ECAFE Warned Not To Industrialise Asia Too Quickly

AGRICULTURE THE MAIN PROBLEM, SAYS CHAIRMAN

Singapore, Oct. 20.—Delegates to the United Nations Economic Commission on Asia and the Far East were warned today against too rapid industrialisation of the Orient.

The warning came from Sir Firoz Khan Noon, Pakistan delegate and Chairman of the Commission.

Asia Urged To Accept Japanese Leadership

U.S. Congressman On Technical Skill

Washington, Oct. 20.—Long steps toward the development of backward areas of the Orient could be taken without United States aid if Asiatics would forget their animosities toward the Japanese, according to an American Congressman, Mr. Walter Huber.

Mr. Huber, a Democrat, recently returned from the Orient. He suggested that leadership in the development of many Asiatic areas could come from the Japanese. Mr. Huber said the Japanese had technical knowledge excelled only by the United States.

"Some of the adjoining nations, regardless of their attitude toward Japan, could get a lot of technical help right next door if they would forget their animosities," he said.

Mr. Huber said he had asked many government officials in the Orient why they did not forget the war and recognise Japanese ability to furnish technical aid. He said a typical reply was:

"Our people cannot forget the cruel treatment of those Japanese soldiers. They would not co-operate with the Japanese."—Associated Press

FEC MEETING

Washington, Oct. 20. The Far Eastern Commission held a routine meeting today. A spokesman said the principal discussion concerned plans for the disposition of looted property recovered in Japan for which no owners had been identified.

Announcement of these plans is expected soon.—Associated Press

Immigrants Arrive In Israel Naked

Agency Official On Terrible Conditions'

Tel-Aviv, Oct. 20.—A Jewish Agency official said here yesterday that thousands of destitute immigrants, some literally naked and others sick and undernourished, were arriving monthly in Israel by sea and air from a Middle East country.

"This could be termed a modern version of The Exodus from Egypt, though this time it is not from Egypt," the official, who is the head of the Agency's settlement department, added.

He did not disclose the name of the country involved, but spoke of the "terrible conditions" in which the immigrants arrived.

The President of Israel, Dr Chaim Weizmann, declared today that "the responsibilities for immigration and settlement cannot be thrust entirely on the people of Israel."

He was referring to the large-scale immigration officially estimated to total 180,000 in the next 12 months.

Telling a United Jewish Appeal delegation from the United States that there was still a threat to Israel from Arab States, Dr. Weizmann said: "We have to be prepared. Our best defence is to fill the country with people."

There would then be no need for military action, he added.

Jewish Agency leaders said that there were 100,000 immigrants still housed in camps and the present flow of 18,000 to 20,000 monthly meant that the same number would still be in camps next year even if all housing schemes were completed.—Reuter.



"I don't know whether I'm going to like school or not do they have any courses for mounted policemen?"

COMMUNISTS CONVICTED



Eleven of America's leading Communists shown as they leave the Federal Courthouse at New York, after being convicted of conspiring to teach the overthrow of the US Government by force. Left to right, they are: Henry Winston, Eugene Dennis, Jacob Stachel, Benjamin Davis, Jr. (in rear), Gilbert Green, Gus Hall, John Williamson, Robert Thompson (rear), Carl Winter, Irving Potash, John Gates. (AP Picture).

U.S. Praise For India's 'Impressive Advances'

New York, Oct. 20.—The Foreign Policy Association, an unofficial but informed international relations study organisation, said today that the visit of the Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, to America "accentuates the recent and rapid flowering of relations between India and the United States."

The Association said in a bulletin that China's debacle had "sharpened our awareness of the strategic interests we have in common in India. So far India's foreign policy has been anchored to a concept of non-entanglement in great power controversies; yet both we and India are concerned with political stability and with the problems of buttressing non-Communist Southern Asia.

"It would, therefore, be surprising if Mr. Nehru's discussions with American leaders did not touch on matters of mutual strategic concern."

The Association said that despite "towering difficulties" the Indian Government had made impressive advances during its first 26 months of political responsibility.

It said: "Inheriting a loose administrative structure in conditions of widespread anarchy, it has re-established rule of law and order. It has welded the country together by merging more than 500 previously separate princely states into a states union, or into neighbouring provinces or into zones administered by a central government."

SOCIAL REFORMS

"It has undertaken social reforms and mass education projects. To harness and develop natural resources, it is pushing ahead with several dozen river projects, the largest of which compares favourably with the Tennessee Valley Authority."

The bulletin said that in these enterprises, and in the development of a broader industrial base, India was "frankly looking for aid where she can find it—and that means to a substantial degree the United States."

The Association said that Indian nationalists' fear of American "imperialism" had ceased to restrain Government leaders. It added: "After several shifts of policy the Indian Government has decided to guarantee that foreign enterprises will have equal treatment with Indian concerns,

WINS DIVISION

London, Oct. 20.—For the first time since its election to office in 1945, the Government tonight won a division in the voting lobbies of the predominantly Conservative House of Lords.

Many Conservatives voted with the Government against a new clause to legal Bill moved by Viscount Templewood formerly Sir Samuel Hoare, a Conservative Cabinet Minister.

The clause was defeated by 43 votes to nine.—Reuter.

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith

Lake Success, Oct. 20.—Ethiopia today welcomed as "a positive proposal" a United States suggestion that the former Italian colony of Eritrea should become an autonomous State federated with Ethiopia under the Emperor of Ethiopia.

Mr Able Wold Aklilou, the Ethopian delegate told the United Nations Political Sub-Committee considering the problem that other proposals for the granting of outright independence to Eritrea were "tantamount to a negation of Ethiopia's claims."

He declared that such proposals also ignored the wishes of 68 percent of the Eritrean people, who, he said, wanted union with Ethiopia.

Mr Aklilou said that he would have to study the details of the plan.

He similarly classed as a positive suggestion India's plan for an independent Eritrea by January, 1952, with the Western Province being given the right to secede whenever it chose.

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The Committee was meeting again later today.—Reuter.

Truman Plan To Expand Atom Energy Programme

Washington, Oct. 20.—President Truman said at his weekly press conference today that he would recommend to Congress early next year a plan for the expansion of the United States atomic energy programme.

The President said that it had been decided to expand the facilities of the Atomic Energy Commission, the body responsible for the production of atomic bombs.

He said that this decision was not influenced by Russia having an atomic bomb.

The President read the following statement to the gathered reporters: "In view of certain statements about the construction programme of the Atomic Energy Commission, I should like to clarify the present status of a recent development within the programme."

"CAREFUL STUDIES"

"A decision has been made to expand the facilities of the Atomic Energy Commission.

"This decision is the result of careful studies directed towards finding the means of increasing our productive capacity in an orderly fashion."

A committee which has been under consideration for many months by the Atomic Energy Commission and the Department of Defense, as well as in the National Security Council.

"I have authorised the Atomic Energy Commission to initiate the construction programme now with funds now available, and I expect to recommend to Congress early next year a financial plan which will enable the Commission to carry its programme forward."—Reuter.

New Ore Found

Lisbon, Oct. 20.—Discovery of a new mineral in Angola, Portuguese West Africa, has been reported.

The mineral, to be known as cassiterite, is derived from a natural elaterite of aluminium and iron oxydes.

Cassiterite is capable of withstanding the highest temperatures, a factor which should make it useful in connection with atomic energy projects.

American industrialists are reported to be keenly interested in the new ore.—United Press.

West London Hotels Fined For Black Market Deals

NO PLANS FOR INDIAN VISIT, SAYS TRUMAN

Washington, Oct. 20. At a news conference today, President Truman confirmed that the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, had invited him to visit India.

Mr. Truman added, however, that at present he had no plans for such a trip.

Mr. Truman's invitation was made near the end of Mr. Nehru's visit here last week, as was customary for the leader of a nation when visiting another country.—United Press.

ETHIOPIA WELCOMES U.S. PLAN

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All the defendants had irreproachable characters.—Reuter.

Flying Bombs May Be Used By Vietminh

Singapore, Oct. 20.—A representative of the Vietminh "public," Mr. Tran Van Mai, remarked casually at a press conference here today that the Vietminh nationalists were manufacturing flying bombs to use against the French in Indo-China.

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Mr. Tran Van Mai, who is one of the Vietminh leaders, Dr. Ho Chi Minh's representative in Thailand, has come to Singapore in the hope that he will get a chance to support the Republic's application for associate membership of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East.

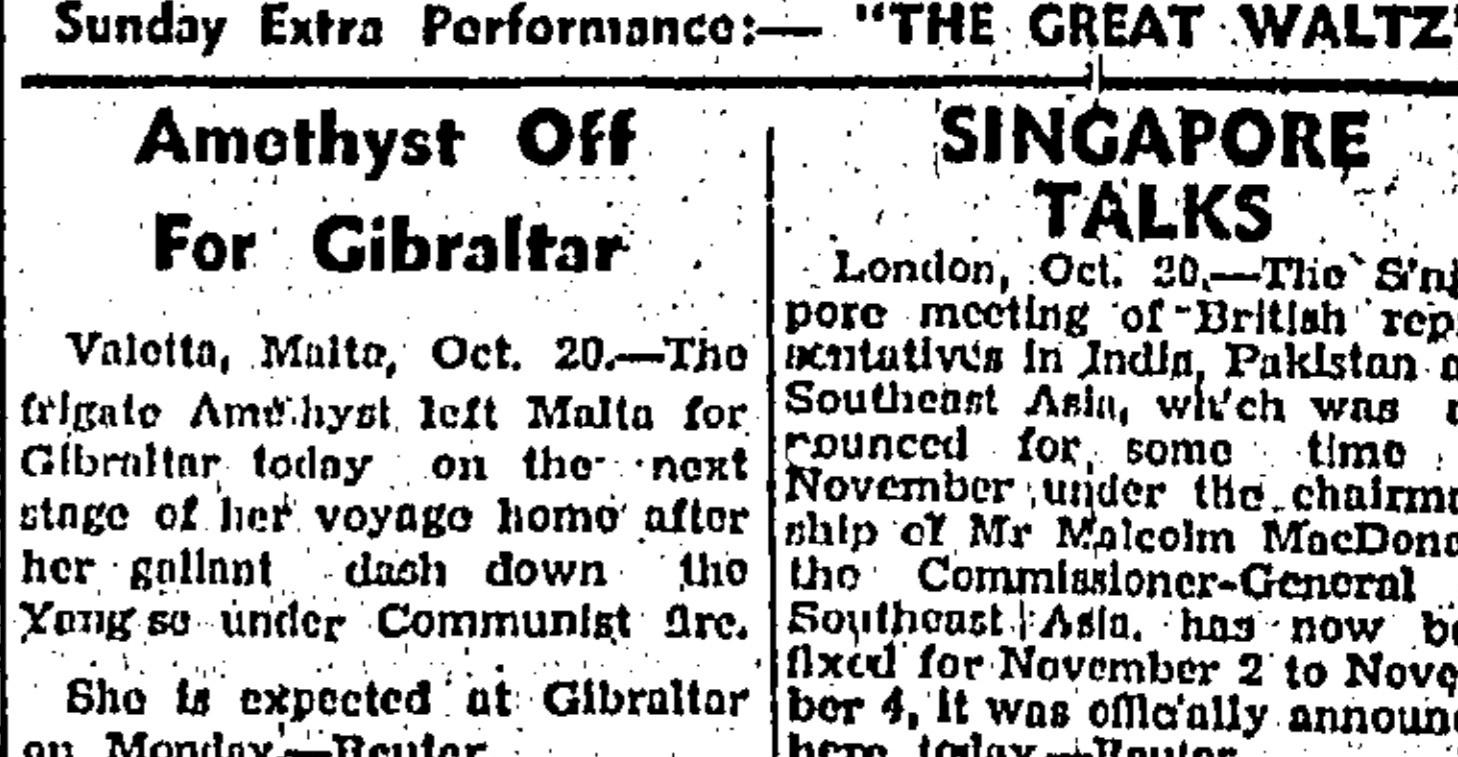
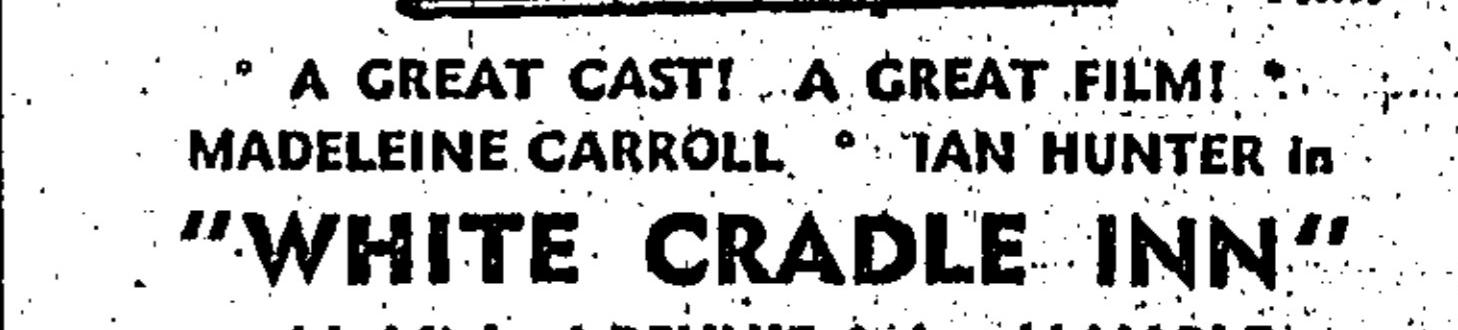
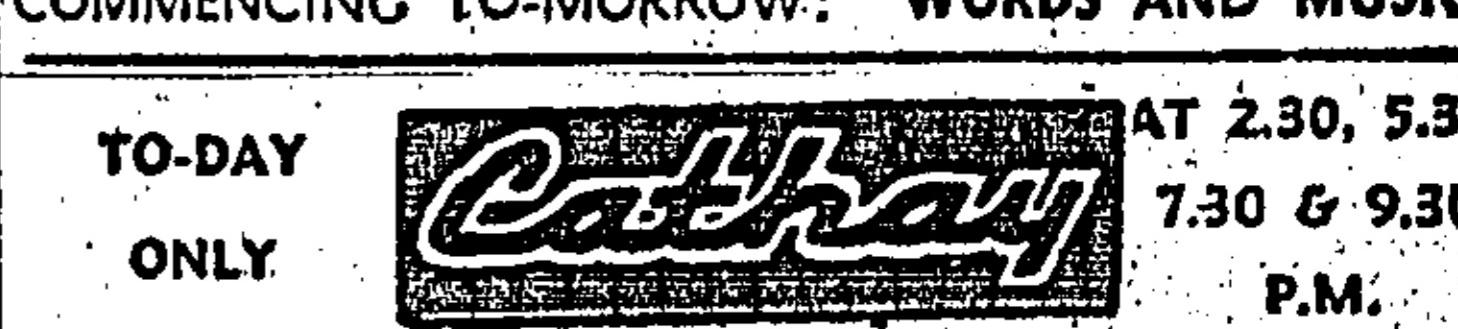
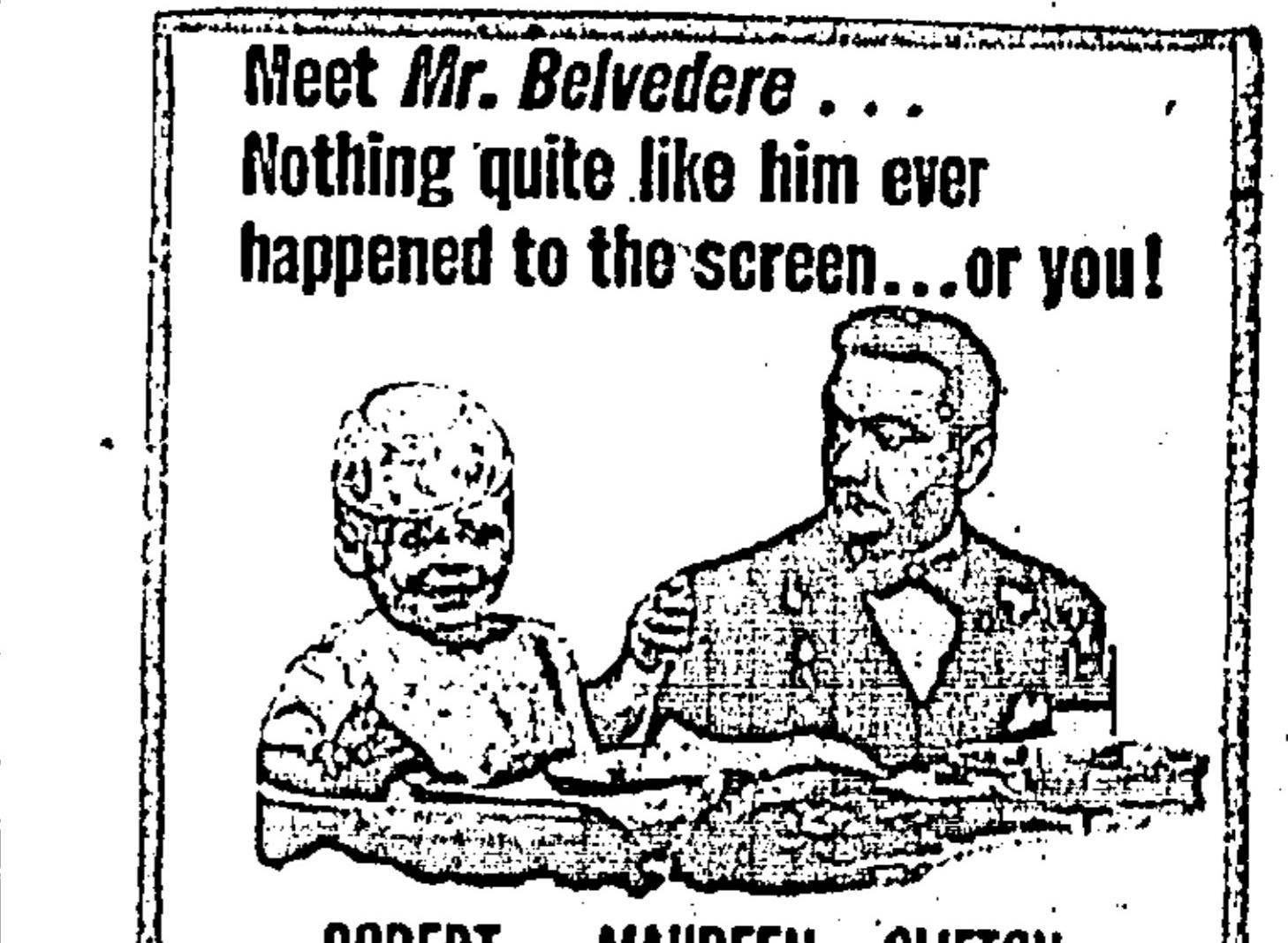
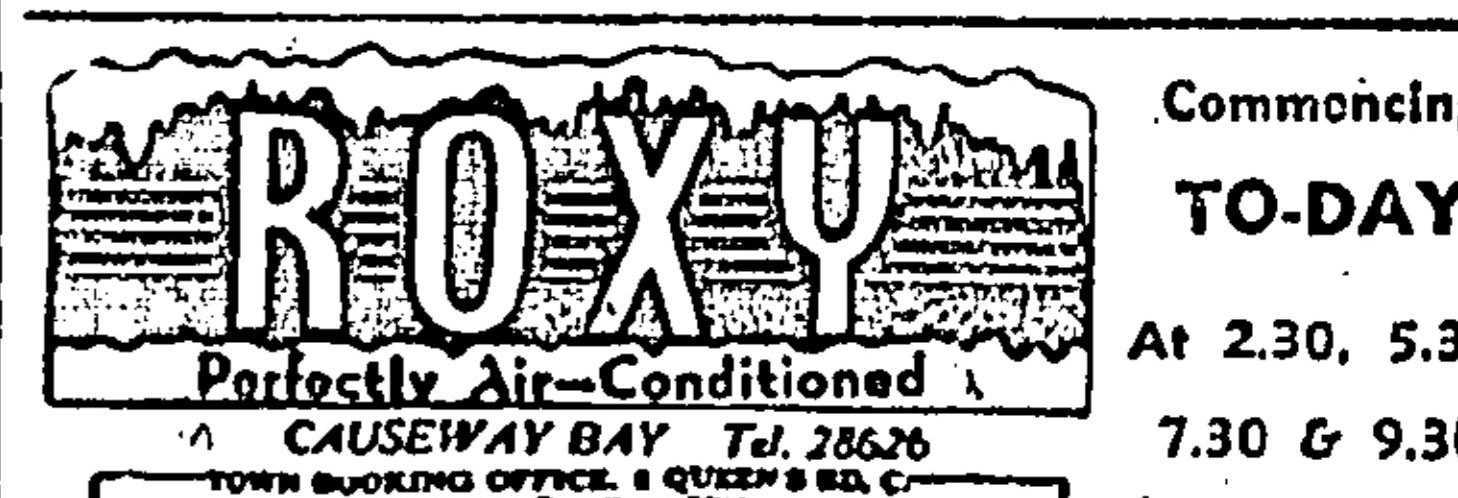
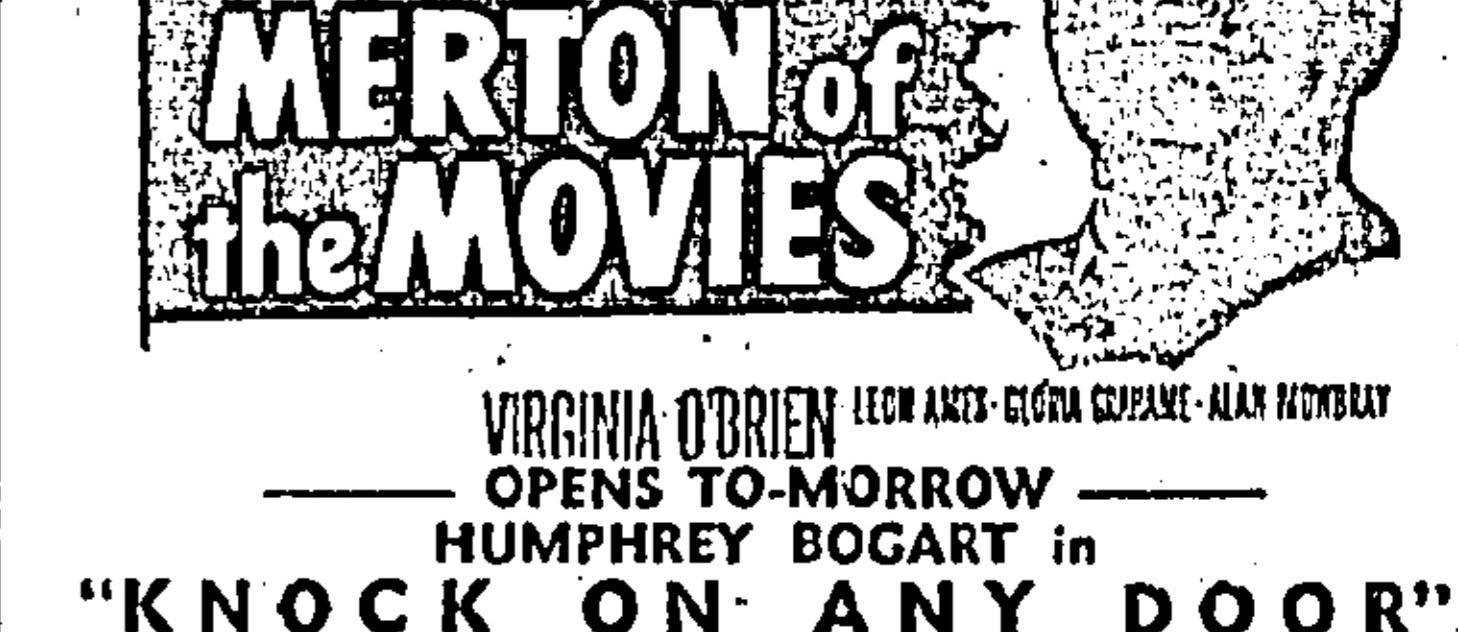
Officials of the French-sponsored Eao Dol Government in Vietnam, who are in Singapore with a rival claim for associate membership of ECAFE, described the flying bomb story as "nonsense."—Reuter.

QUEENS' ALHAMBRA

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THE MAN WHO LAUGHS



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MCKENNEY ON BRIDGE

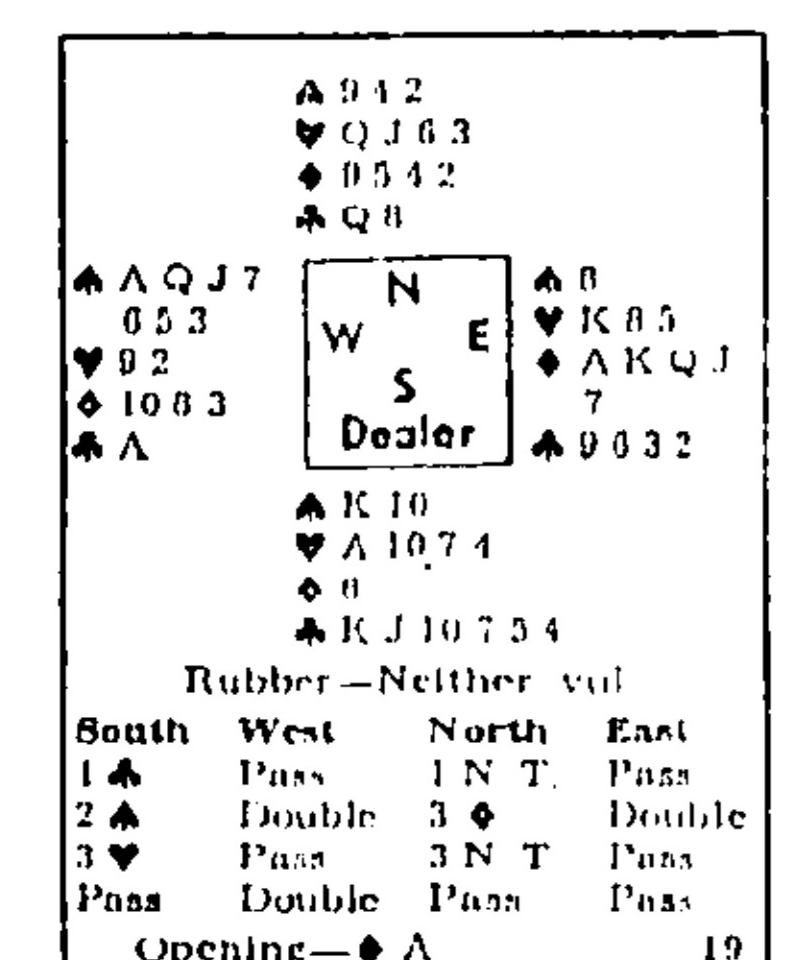
Three N. T. Hand Gets Set 13 Tricks

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

I RECEIVED a letter from Frank Bussell of Montreal, Quebec. He said the Canadian citizens very solidly backed the Liberal Party by electing to office 102 Liberal M. P.s from a total of 202 seats.

However, he continued, the setback suffered by the Conservatives was nothing to the setback he received on today's hand. I like a fellow who will give you a hand in which he got the worst of it.

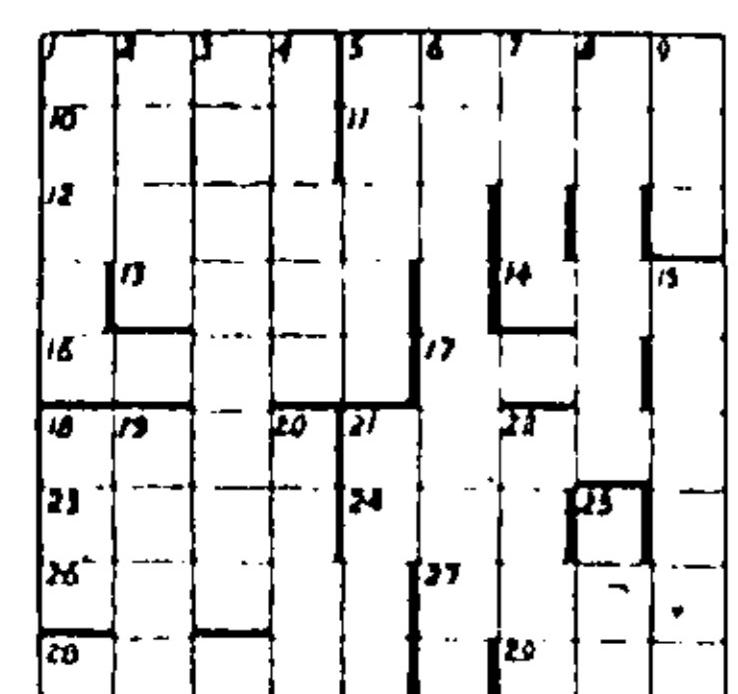
The bidding looks something like a Jigsaw puzzle. First of all, I think North should pass with no weak hand. Just why South bid two spades is hard to understand, unless he wanted to top a spade lead.



North's bid of three diamonds only confused South. When South bid three hearts I do not know why North did not pass. I suppose he is from the school who thinks that when partner reverses, he has a powerful hand. Anyway, that was the bidding—now for the play.

East cashed five diamond tricks on which West played the ten, eight and three of diamonds, and discarded the deuce and nine of hearts. East shifted to a spade. Mr Bussell said at this point, "I would not have minded it so much if West had laid down his seven spade tricks quickly, but he cashed only three of them. He thought for a while, cashed his ace of clubs, and then cashed the rest of the spade tricks. Yes, they took all 13 tricks, and I, with my 1700 points minus, surely felt worse than the Conservative Party."

CROSSWORD



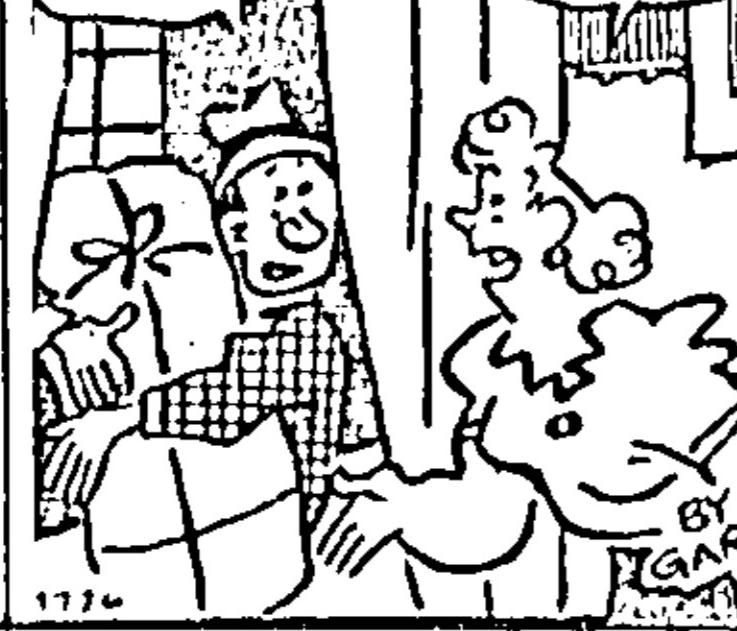
Solution of yesterday's puzzle.—Across: 1. Puzzles on air. 2. Non-pinnable value. 3. A little company. 4. Embutido vegetable. 5. Hamptons look from Philip. 6. The foxes left, saunter right. 7. Saw needs an animal to broil him. 8. Pittie interjection. 9. What would be said to be one. 10. Wild plant not quite worth. 11. Hill. 12. American Revolution. 13. Statue, non or gammer? 14. Brewed from Irish Free State, not in Eire. 15. Out of place. 16. Poem—a tanja deer or rabbit perhaps. 17. Down: 1. We are in a race. 2. In the crop all the time. 3. Tory name changes. 4. How an entertainment starts. 5. Scrap the pikes for one. 6. She has a will of her own. 7. Bear. 8. Lear is elevated to the peerage. 9. Mistaken part of drowsy Derring-do. 10. On the way to it for hire. 11. Gratify. 12. Gobbler's tool. 13. Dove. 14. Doves both itself and friend. 15. Cats rid of the pest. 16. I escaped from the riots before. 17. Add an article to 24 and you have the makings of a heavier machine. 18. Disenumbered.

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WHY DID YOU BUY SUCH A BIG SIDE OF BEEF?

I WANT TO ECONOMIZE BY MAKING LEFT OVER DISHES!



UNUSUAL ANGLES MYSTERY SURROUNDS "GHOST CITY"

By HAROLD GUARD

IN the dense jungleland of Kenya Colony there is a "ghost city" of unknown origin which the Colonial Office said may soon become a tourist attraction in East Africa.

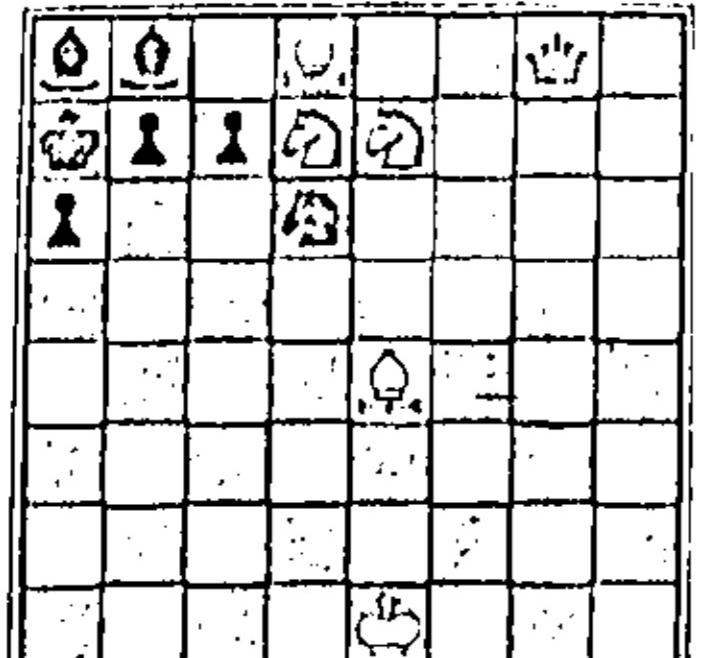
Gedi, the mystery city of Kenya, was discovered 25 years ago. It was overgrown by a tangle of dense tropical jungle.

No reference to it exists in the historical records of the Kenya coast. But officials of the Colonial Office recounted how

CHESS PROBLEM

By S. F. E. FLATAU

Black, 7 pieces



White, 6 pieces.
White to play and mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. Kt-Q4 and 2. Q-Kt, or P
(Answers at foot of Column 1)

BOYS AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Knarf Saw a Strange Thing

—He Thought It Was the Ghost of a Snowman—

By MAX TRELL



"YOU know," said Knarf to his sister Harold when he got up in the morning. "I heard snow falling last night."

Harold shook her head. "You can't hear snow falling, Knarf. Besides, it's much too warm for snow. And anyway none fell. So you couldn't have heard anything."

But Knarf was sure he had. "It sounded as though it were patterning against the window. And then I heard someone saying, 'It's still a little too early. It's still a little too early.' But I'll be back."

Harold looked puzzled. "Who could that be?"

"I don't know," answered Knarf. "But the voice sounded familiar. I mean, it sounded like somebody's voice that I knew. I looked out of the window. All I could see was the garden, with the flowers and the trees. But suddenly—"

"Then what happened?" asked Harold.

"Suddenly I saw something big and white," said Knarf. "A ghost?"

"Generally White"

"Well, I don't know how big it is but it's generally white. Is it sort of float along, like a sheet?"

"No," said Knarf. "It walked. It sounded as if it were going clump-clump-clump. Only I couldn't hear a sound. But I could see it very plainly. And watched where it went."

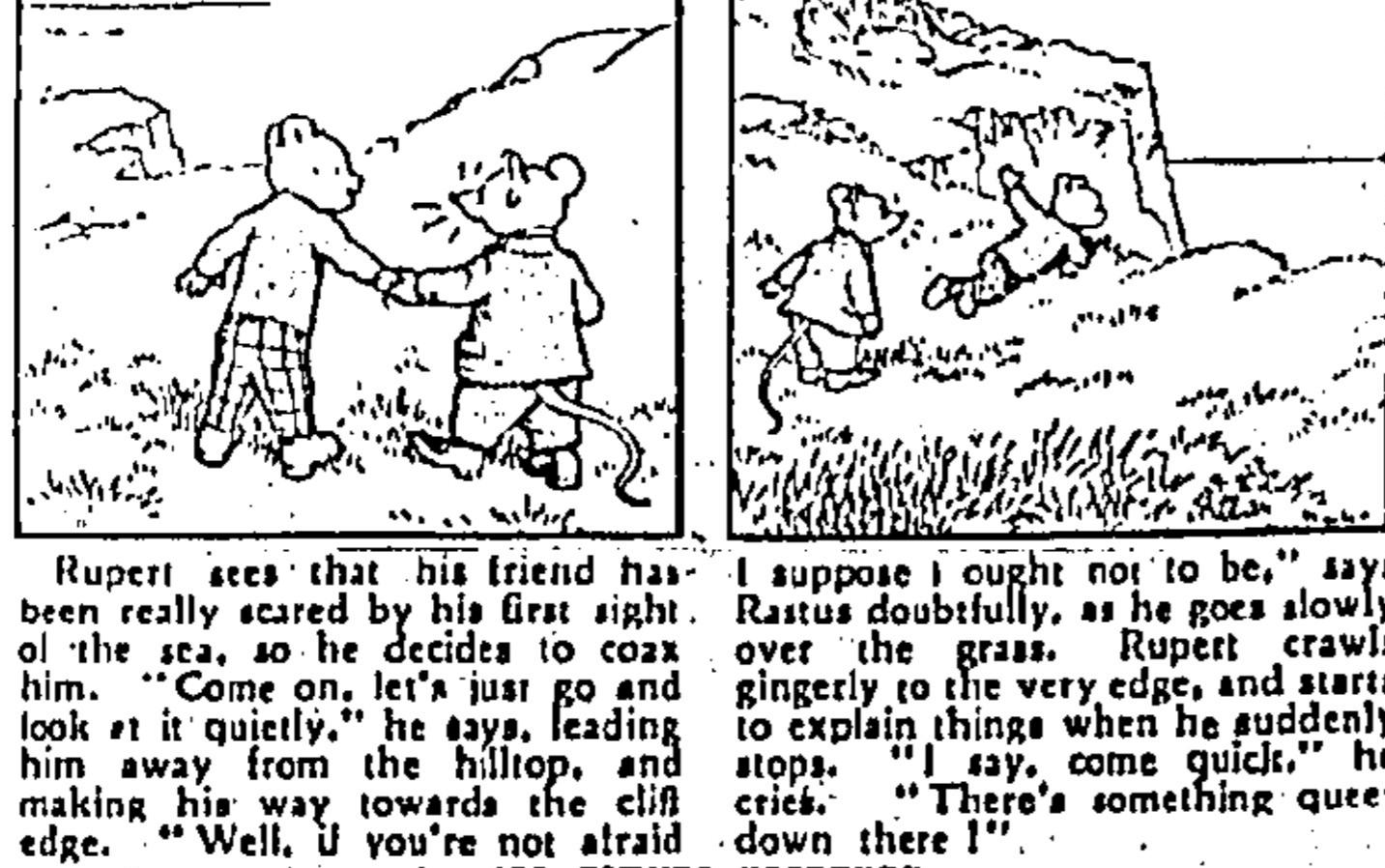
"Where did it go?"

"Do you remember," said Knarf, "where the children built the Snowman last winter?"

Harold nodded. "At the bottom of the back steps, just at the end of the road."

"That's where it went. It stood there for a few minutes, and seemed to be looking I'll be back."

Rupert at Rocky Bay—10



I suppose I ought not to be," says Ratty doubtfully, as he goes slowly over the grass. Rupert crawls gingerly to the very edge, and starts to explain things when he suddenly stops. "They're coming quick!" he cries. "There's something queer down there!"

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The Outlaws' Dread



WE WERE CLEARED OUT AGAIN! IT'S RIPPIN' THE AIR BY A LONG, MASKED MAN!

HEY, DIPITY! DID I HEAR THAT?

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

WHEN I read about the new landlord of an inn who told his customers that he didn't want to serve them, since he had bought the inn for his own use, I remembered an incident of my youth.

I and two other young men decided to buy a country inn for our own pleasure. Each in turn would serve behind the bar, until the money of the other,

which literally means "bad

Colonial officials and investors

and conservation of

Gedi are now being planned by

Prof. J. S. Kirkman, warden of

Kenya's historical sites.

"The city covers about a hundred acres," according to one

official.

There are five mosques, a

ruler's palace and a number of

large houses, one of which

might have been a school.

Among the ruins have been

found jars and pottery from

China, Siam and Annam. Trees

were growing through the roofs

of the temples and there were

ghostly sounds and an eerie

atmosphere all about."

It wouldn't work

WE replied "Oh, we use our

money, which remember,

we still have, for that very,

purpose." "But," said he gravely,

"if you do that, how can you

pay for your drinks as cus-

tomers?" After a disconcerting

pause, the eldest of us said, "If

there's no money left after

settling the brewer's account,

we'll just divide the drink be-

tween us, free of charge."

"And when that assignment is ex-

hausted?" he asked. We then

saw that the scheme was un-

sound economically, though

most attractive otherwise. With

much regret we abandoned the

idea.

Arab Town?

It is thought that Gedi may have been an Arab town be-

cause there were many built in

the 12th century when Arabs

migrated from southern Arabia.

But unlike all other Arab cit-

ies in East Africa, Gedi is not on

the sea coast.

The Kenya Government plans

to take over the area as a na-

tional park. "There is a terrible

atmosphere about the place," in

officer said. "It could be made

into a wonderful tourist attrac-

tion. It has never been

established how the place origi-

nated or why it was deserted.

It may have been deserted be-

cause of plague, or posse

cult raiders drove the in-

habitants away. It may be 300

years old or possibly 3,000.

There are absolutely no records

of its existence today, but we

all know it is there off the

beaten track, overgrown by

jungle and possessing an aura

of mystery."

—(London Express Service)

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

UK Must Help Commonwealth To Earn Dollars

—Wilson

London, Oct. 20.—Mr Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, urged here today that Britain should give all possible help to Commonwealth countries to enable them to increase their dollar earnings.

Mr Wilson told a Royal Empire Society meeting that it was on the future development of colonial areas that so many pinned hopes of a great contribution towards a long-term balance between the Sterling Area and the rest of the world.

Against the background

of world economies the de-

velopment in 10 or 15 years may

prove to be the most impor-

tant event of the present

century, and may well in

time revolutionise the world

economic position and bal-

AT TORY CONFERENCE



At the Conservative Party reception held to inaugurate the annual Party conference in London, mascots for the evening were two three-foot plaster bulldogs with large blue bows round their necks and 8 in. cigars in their mouths. Receptionist organiser Joan Eden of Bedford is here seen beside one of them. (London Express Service)

DUTCH AND INDONESIANS REACH AGREEMENT ON MAINTENANCE OF ORDER

Batavia, Oct. 20.—Dutch and Indonesian Republican representatives agreed yesterday on a U.N. plan for dividing the former Republican areas of Central Java into zones for the maintenance of order until a settlement for all Indonesia is reached, it was officially announced today.

FIRE BURNS OUT HOTEL

Two Killed, Seven Injured

London, Oct. 20.—Eleven people, trapped on upper storeys made dramatic escapes when fire burnt out the Imperial Hotel at the Northwest England coastal resort of Morecambe, Lancashire, early today.

Two others were killed and seven, including three foreigners, were injured.

The cries of those cut off by the flames aroused the neighbourhood. Ladders were rushed to the windows, but they were too short and, with flames bursting through the front of the building and the roof, Frank Hardy, the proprietor, crept with his two-year-old son in his arms along a six-inch parapet to a room further from the flames.

Then, clinging to a drain-pipe, Hardy went back and guided his wife along the parapet while neighbours stood below with an outstretched blanket.

The fire brigade arrived and brought them safety.

A guest tried to save Mrs. Rhoda Pape, a 30-year-old visitor, by leaping down the smoke-filled staircase, but he lost her on the way and she was killed.

The other to die was young Ernest Murphy, a member of the staff.

The strenuous efforts by firemen were injured by falling masonry.—Reuter.

AMBUSH IN PAHANG

Singapore, Oct. 20.—Bandits today ambushed a military convoy, killing four men of a Malay regiment and wounding eight more.

The scene of the ambush was 42 miles from Kuala Lumpur, in Pahang.

Official figures today put the bandit losses in killed during September at 85, the highest of any month this year.

In Kuala Lumpur, a Chinese who was found guilty of unlawful possession of a hand grenade was hanged. He was the 74th executed under the emergency regulations.—Reuter.

TO EASE TENSION

To ease the tension there, the Republican delegation asked the Dutch to:

1. Release all prisoners and civil servants arrested since the truce in August.

2. Return all arms confiscated since the truce.

3. Refrain from further arrests or disarming of Republican without consulting the Local Joint Committees set up through the U.N.—Associated Press.

NUMEROUS INCIDENTS

Sourabaya, Oct. 20.—Dutch officers here are not surprised about reports of numerous incidents in East Java which have

been described as "explosive." As had been reported, but admitted that discussions with Republicans and U.N. military observers at Malang, southwest of Sourabaya, have ended in deadlock.

The Dutch proposed at the Malang meeting to withdraw from several outposts to ease the tension in that area while the Republicans would abandon some pockets they held.

The Republicans turned down the plan and proposed that the Dutch should limit patrolling to a zone of one mile around posts and half a mile to the left and right of the main roads. This the Dutch rejected.

A Dutch Army commander said that irrespective of the deadlock, he would begin evacuation from 10 places in the Malang residency to "show goodwill in the hope that the Republican Army will reply in the same way."

Dutch troops gave Republican artillery support in an operation against Communist bands near Bantar recently, it was revealed at Dutch Headquarters in Sourabaya.—Associated Press.

Liner Himalaya At Bombay

Bombay, Oct. 20.—The 29,000-ton liner Himalaya, fastest in the P & O fleet, arrived here today on her maiden voyage to Australia.

Sir William Currie, chairman of the P & O, and Lieutenant-Colonel Sir George Falconer, British Ambassador to Nepal, were among the 1,000 passengers.—Reuter.



"Down spot—down boy, down."

IRO LIFE IS EXTENDED BY NINE MONTHS

Geneva, Oct. 20.—The International Refugee Organisation due to close on June 30 next year, to-day gave itself an extra nine months' lease of life at a cost of US\$55,000,000.

The IRO General Council, approving the extra budget this morning, warned that thousands of refugees will still need help when the supplementary period is ended.

100 PERCENT PACIFISTS CONGREGATE IN INDIA

London, Oct. 20.—Fourteen influential and "100 percent reliable" pacifists from Europe and the United States will leave Liverpool on Saturday for a world pacifists' meeting in India on the lines suggested by Mahatma Gandhi before his assassination.

They represent 11 countries and a further party will fly to India on or about November 24. "One hundred percent reliable" was Gandhi's own phrase. He meant men and women who had proved themselves in meeting violence and aggression with spiritual and moral weapons only.

It is planned to bring together 50 of them—scientists, theologians, teachers, journalists, politicians, social workers and businessmen from all over the world—to meet 25 of the Mahatma's closest associates and other Indians who believe in his teachings.

WORLD UNION

They will meet in "unhurried conference" at the centre of learning founded by Rabindranath Tagore, the poet, for a week beginning December 1.

After travelling in small groups to various ashrams and centres of constructive work, they will gather finally at Sevagram, the colony started by Gandhi, in the last week of the month.

The organism of the world pacifist meeting, as already explained in India, do not expect to achieve "immediate dramatic results in the political world."

But, it is added, the meeting may lead to the formation of a world union of men and women who are trying to practise non-violence and to apply it to social and political problems.—Reuters.

No Advances Of Money To Burma Firms

London, Oct. 20.—The British Government today resisted a suggestion in Parliament by Sir Thomas Moore, Conservative, that it should advance money to certain British firms in Burma in urgent need of additional working capital.

Sir Thomas Moore said that several of these companies needed capital to protect and maintain their property until more settled conditions were restored.

He suggested that the Government should advance money to them on account of the ex-gratia payment of £10,000,000 which the British Government would make available to British businesses which suffered loss from the war in Burma.

Mr Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, replied: "The Burma War Damage Committee have made considerable progress and expect to be in a position to present an interim report at an early date. In the meantime, I do not think that it would be either practicable or desirable to adopt your suggestion."—Reuters.

A Social Mischief

London, Oct. 20.—The sale of contraceptives in automatic slot machines in Britain is to be banned as a "social mischief," the Home Secretary, Mr James Chuter Ede, told the House of Commons today.

This followed a protest by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Geoffrey Fisher, and others against their use by the young.

Dr Fisher said that he was not against adults obtaining contraceptives in the ordinary way but deplored the ease with which youngsters could legally get them.

He urged legislation to prevent this.

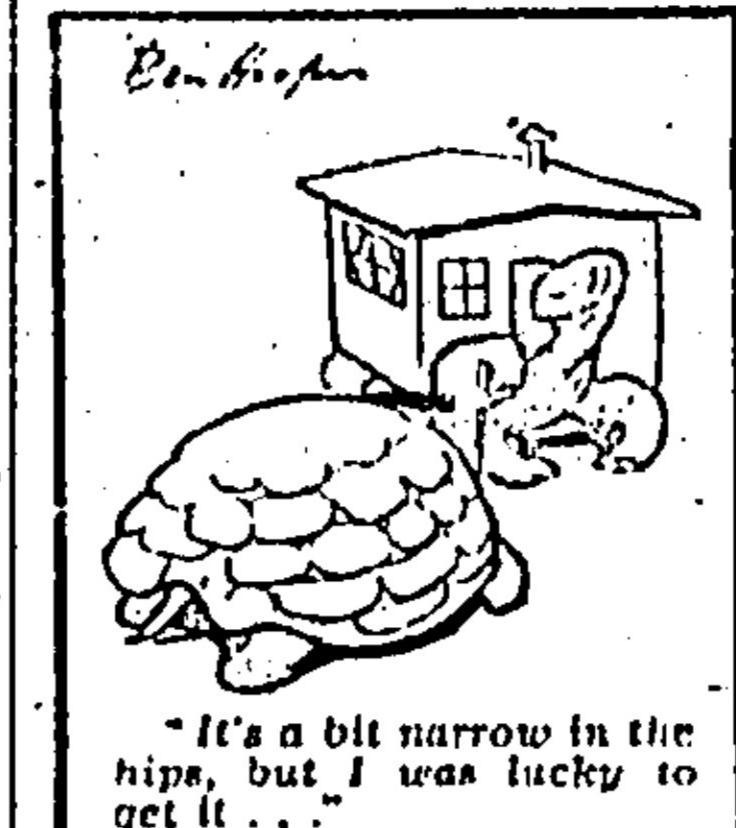
Mr Chuter Ede said that he had come to the conclusion that the social mischief involved was so serious as to require immediate action.

He had, accordingly, given instructions for bye-laws to be drafted.—Reuters.

Lauron Bacall Suspended

Hollywood, Oct. 20.—Film star Lauren Bacall, wife of Humphrey Bogart, has been suspended by Warner Brothers because of her refusal to appear in the film "Storm Centre." It was announced today.—Associated Press.

POCKET CARTOON



Mayer To Form Cabinet

Paris, Oct. 20.—M. René Mayer, a Radical, was tonight authorised by the National Assembly to form a Cabinet to end France's fortnight old political crisis.

Unofficial figures for the voting gave M. Mayer between 335 and 340 votes. The minimum number needed was 310.

Earlier, he had called upon the Assembly to invest him as Premier on a middle-of-the-road programme.

He made a declaration of the policy his government would pursue if he received a favourable vote.

A crowded House listened as he outlined his programme as follows:

1. Financial stabilisation.

2. Re-introduction of free collective bargaining in private industry.

3. Control of the right to strike of civil servants "whose activity is essential to the security of human life."

The right of police to strike is restricted.

4. Economies of state expenditure and social services, including reforms in nationalised industries.

FOREIGN POLICY

Speaking on foreign policy, M. Mayer said he would stand firmly behind Emperor Bao Dai in Indo-China.

His Government, he said, would work for the "rapid and loyal application of the agreement of March 8." This agreement gave Bao Dai authority as head of the Vietnamese State within the French Union.

The Emperor was free, with the support of France, to take any measures compatible with the situation of Vietnam in the French Union which might lead to the suspension of hostilities, M. Mayer said.

ATOM BOMB

The oil of America's atom bomb monopoly, M. Mayer said in the course of his address to the Assembly, raised the question of whether this brought peace or war nearer. France, he added, should do everything to favour international control of atomic energy.

One of the principles of French foreign policy, he said, must be a determination to bring about an understanding with a democratic Germany. But experience proved that France must be prudent and should use existing instruments of control of Germany in full agreement with her Allies.—Reuters.

AIR TRANSPORT TALKS

Canberra, Oct. 20.—Discussions on an air transport agreement between Australia and Ceylon are expected to be resumed here on October 24, an Australian Civil Aviation Department spokesman announced today.

The discussions began in Ceylon and continued in Melbourne late last year, when the Ceylon authorities sought traffic rights in Australia for a Ceylon airline with reciprocal rights to an Australian airline in Ceylon.

The spokesman added that the Australian delegation would be led by the Minister for Civil Aviation, Mr Arthur Drakesford, and the Ceylon delegation by the High Commissioner for Ceylon.—Reuters.

Russian Wheat For Iran

Tehran, Oct. 20.—It was officially announced today that 60 wagons of Russian wheat were handed to the Iranian authorities on Wednesday in Jolfa, the Iran-Russia border town in Azerbaijan.

This was the first part of 100,000 tons of wheat bought from Russia.—Associated Press.

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